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No longer willing to sit idly by as outside forces manipulate his life, Jim has begun the process of setting up a foundation through which he can use his healing powers to help those in need. In order to successfully launch his new public venture, Jim confronts Bludd with an offer he can't refuse, and an uneasy alliance between the two enemies is formed.

Meanwhile, Marc's search into Jim's mysterious past has become more dangerous than he knows. Only the timely intervention of Terry Fitzgerald keeps Marc alive—but is Terry a friend, or just another agent of the many forces looking to control Jim?

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THANKS FOR STAYING WITH US THROUGH THE BREAK--

FOR NOW, LET ME INTRODUCE JIM DOWNING. I'M SURE YOU'VE ALL BEEN READING ABOUT HIM IN THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. WELCOME TO THE SHOW, JIM.

GLAD TO BE HERE.

--AND NOW, AS PROMISED, OUR MUCH ANTICIPATED GUEST, IN HIS FIRST APPEARANCE SINCE HE ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF HIS NEW FOUNDATION. ITS MISSION IS TO HELP PEOPLE WITH DISEASES CONSIDERED INCURABLE. MORE ON THAT LATER IN THE INTERVIEW.

RUNDOWN
MOTEL.
MIDDLE
AMERICA.

OKAY, LET ME START BY ASKING, WHAT'S YOUR REACTION TO EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE RECENTLY? I MEAN, TV CAMERAS CAUGHT YOU LIVE AS YOU HEALED THAT PHOTOGRAPHER, AND NOW YOU'RE A HUGE INTERNATIONAL SENSATION. ALL THIS ATTENTION... HOW'RE YOU DEALING WITH IT?

IN ALL HONESTY, CRAIG, I DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE IN THE MATTER. ONCE THAT VID OF ME GIVING HELP TO THAT INJURED MAN WENT VIRAL... WELL, IT'S GOTTEN SOMEWHAT HECTIC.

TO BE CLEAR, YOU DID MORE THAN JUST 'HELP' THAT MAN. WHAT WE SAW ON TV WAS CONFIRMED BY EYE WITNESSES. THAT MAN WAS CRITICALLY INJURED AFTER BEING HIT BY A CITY BUS. ALL REPORTS MENTIONED MASSIVE BLEEDING-- AND YOUR COMPANION, WHO HAPPENS TO BE A NURSE, WAS YELLING THAT HE WAS ABOUT TO DIE. THAT'S QUITE A SITUATION...

...AND DOCTORS CONTINUE TO BE MYSTIFIED BY THE POWERS YOU KEEP EXHIBITING. IN FACT, THE MYSTERIES SURROUNDING YOU CONTINUE TO GROW.

EVERY PERSON WHO'S MADE SOME KIND OF PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH YOU AND WHO WAS, AT THE TIME, STRICKEN WITH A DISEASE OR PHYSICAL ALIMENT, HAS BEEN CURED. DOCTORS HAVE CONFIRMED THEIR NEW FOUND HEALTH. SO, THESE EVENTS, WHICH BEGAN AS RUMORS, HAVE PROVEN TO BE TRUE.

ALL OF THIS BECOMES EVEN MORE COMPELLING DUE TO YOUR LACK OF ANY RECOLLECTION OF YOUR PAST-- AND THE FACT THAT, AS OF TODAY, NO ONE HAS STEPPED FORWARD CLAIMING TO HAVE KNOWN YOU. NO ONE AT ALL.

CAN YOU TALK ABOUT WHY YOU THINK THAT IS?

SO FAR, NONE OF MY DOCTORS OR ANY OF THE STAFF FROM THE HOSPITAL REMEMBERS HOW I GOT THERE...

AND YOU WERE THERE IN A COMA, FOR YEARS, UNTIL VERY RECENTLY.

THAT'S RIGHT. BUT MY FILES WERE EITHER LOST OR DESTROYED WHEN THE BUILDING I WAS IN CAUGHT FIRE. * IT'S FRUSTRATING. THE TRAIL TO MY PAST SEEMS TO JUST LEAD OFF A CLIFF, AND NO ONE HAS GIVEN ME A PROPER SENSE OF HOW THAT COULD'VE HAPPENED. HOPEFULLY, WE'LL GET SOME ANSWERS SOON.

THAT HAS TO BE DIFFICULT, NOT HAVING EVEN A HINT OF YOUR PAST. I'VE READ WHERE YOU SAID THAT JIM DOWNING MIGHT NOT EVEN BE YOUR REAL NAME.

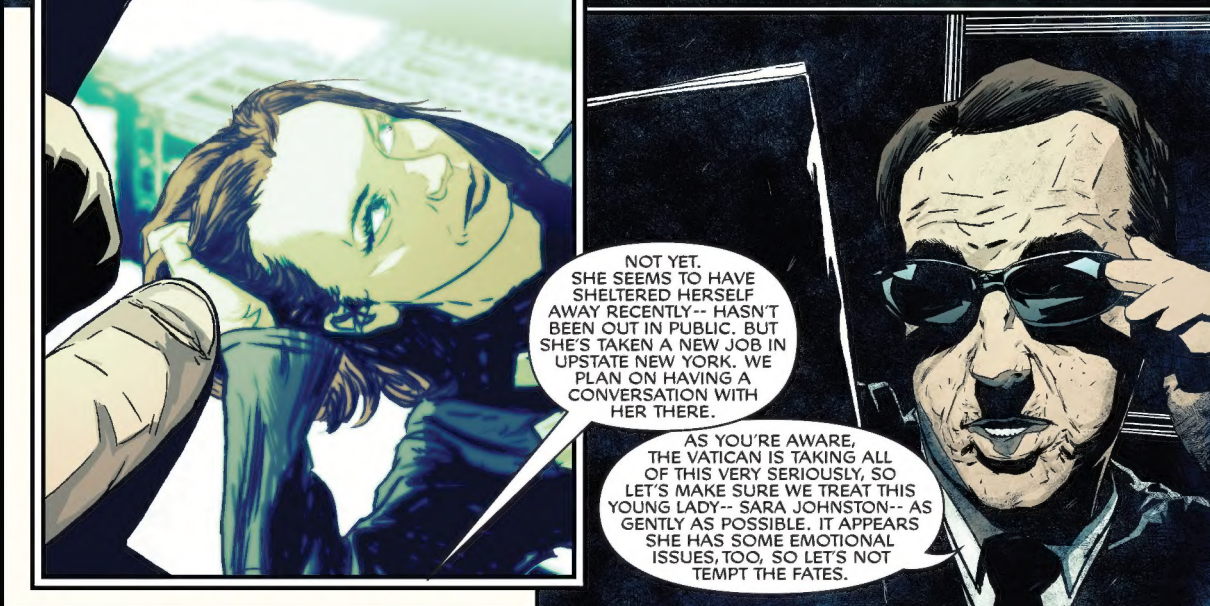
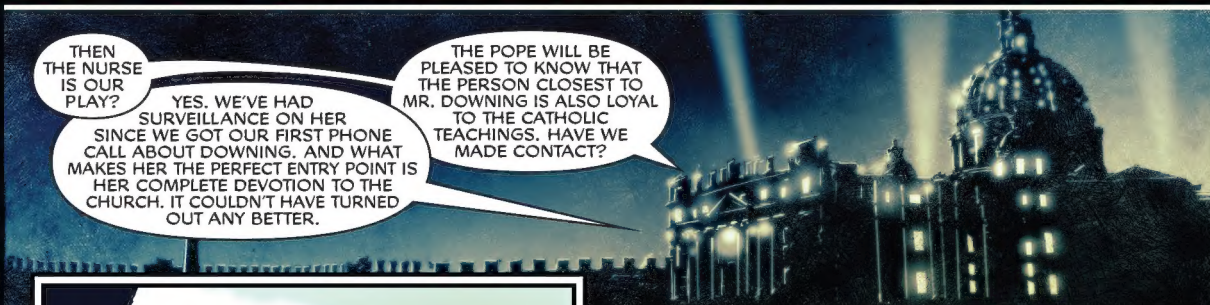
NO ONE KNOWS. IT WAS THE NAME ON MY BED AND ON THE DOOR TO MY HOSPITAL ROOM. THE AUTHORITIES CONDUCTED A NAME SEARCH BUT HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ANYTHING YET. I KEEP ASKING THE SAME QUESTIONS I'M SURE YOUR VIEWERS ARE ASKING: "HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?" SURELY, SOMEONE HAS INFORMATION-- AND WHAT ABOUT FAMILY OR FRIENDS? SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE, HAS TO RECOGNIZE ME.

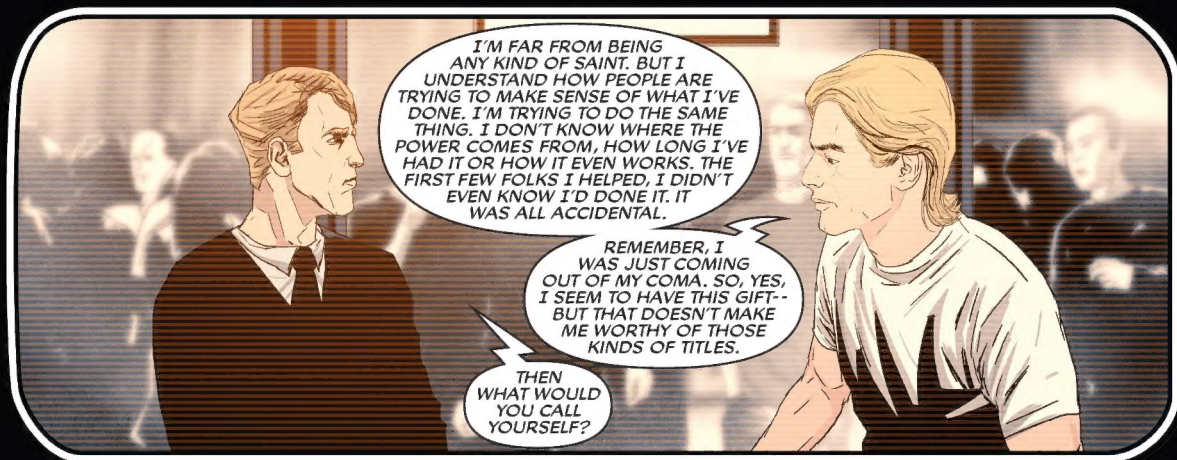
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VATICAN CITY.

I BELIEVE YOU'VE READ THE REPORT. IT CONTAINS WRITE-UPS ON NEARLY EVERYONE DOWNING HAS COME IN CONTACT WITH, BUT THESE THREE ARE THE ONLY ONES HE SEEMS TO HAVE ANY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH. ONE WAS HIS BEDSIDE NURSE FOR YEARS. THE OTHER TWO ARE A COUPLE HE IS CURRENTLY LIVING WITH, THOUGH HE HASN'T BEEN BACK TO THEIR APARTMENT FOR A FEW DAYS.

THE MALE IS A REPORTER, AND NOW APPEARS TO BE WORKING FOR HIM IN SOME TYPE OF MANAGERIAL CAPACITY...





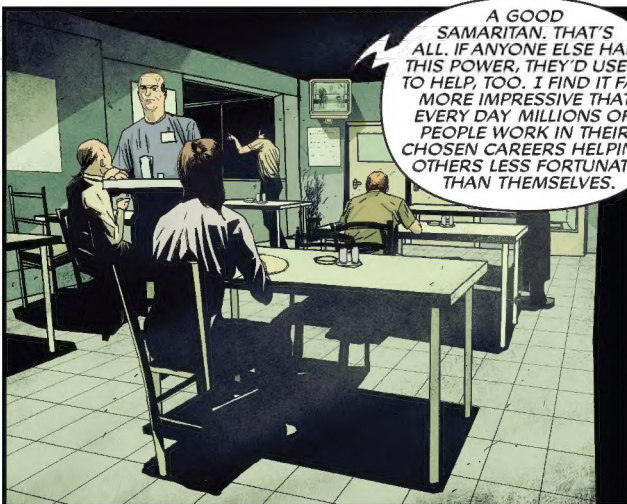
I'M FAR FROM BEING ANY KIND OF SAINT. BUT I UNDERSTAND HOW PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO MAKE SENSE OF WHAT I'VE DONE. I'M TRYING TO DO THE SAME THING. I DON'T KNOW WHERE THE POWER COMES FROM, HOW LONG I'VE HAD IT OR HOW IT EVEN WORKS. THE FIRST FEW FOLKS I HELPED, I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW I'D DONE IT. IT WAS ALL ACCIDENTAL.

REMEMBER, I WAS JUST COMING OUT OF MY COMA. SO, YES, I SEEM TO HAVE THIS GIFT-- BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE ME WORTHY OF THOSE KINDS OF TITLES.

THEN WHAT WOULD YOU CALL YOURSELF?



STATE HOSPITAL.
ALBANY, NEW YORK




A GOOD SAMARITAN. THAT'S ALL. IF ANYONE ELSE HAD THIS POWER, THEY'D USE IT TO HELP, TOO. I FIND IT FAR MORE IMPRESSIVE THAT EVERY DAY MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WORK IN THEIR CHOSEN CAREERS HELPING OTHERS LESS FORTUNATE THAN THEMSELVES.



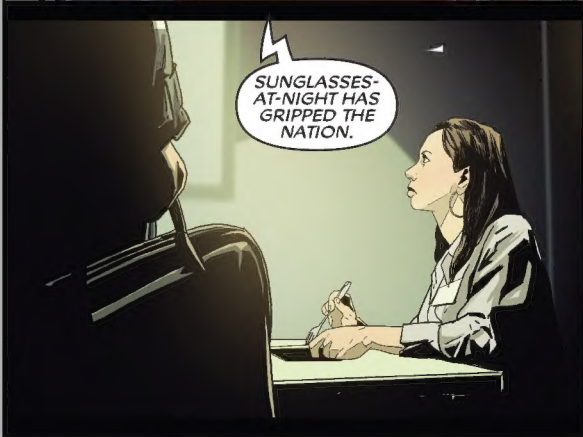
WHEN I WAS IN MY COMA, I WAS SURROUNDED BY PEOPLE LIKE THAT.



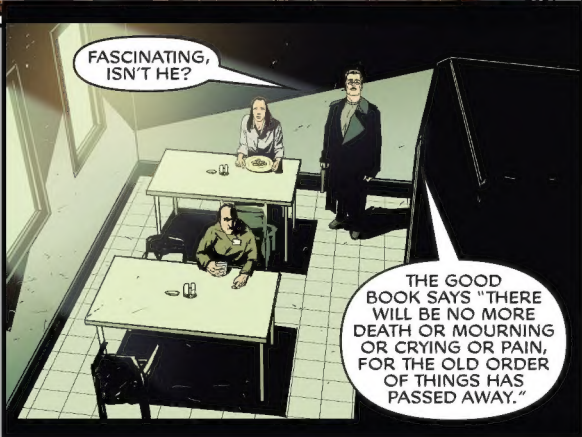


YOU'RE RIGHT-- THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO PUT THEMSELVES IN HARM'S WAY TO PROTECT THIS NATION, AND THE DOCTORS, NURSES, POLICE AND FIRE-FIGHTERS-- ALL DESERVE OUR GRATITUDE.

BUT THAT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT YOU'RE SPECIAL. AND UNTIL YOUR ACTIONS SAY OTHERWISE--I THINK THE WORLD IS GOING TO LOOK AT YOU IN AMAZEMENT. YOU'RE EVEN SETTING SOME FASHION TRENDS.



SUNGLASSES-AT-NIGHT HAS GRIPPED THE NATION.




FASCINATING, ISN'T HE?

THE GOOD BOOK SAYS "THERE WILL BE NO MORE DEATH OR MOURNING OR CRYING OR PAIN, FOR THE OLD ORDER OF THINGS HAS PASSED AWAY."



EXCUSE ME?




FORGIVE ME, MS. JOHNSTON, I APOLOGIZE IF I'M INTERRUPTING YOU, BUT I WAS WONDERING IF...

YOU A REPORTER?

OH MY GOODNESS... NO.

THEN WHAT DO YOU WANT?



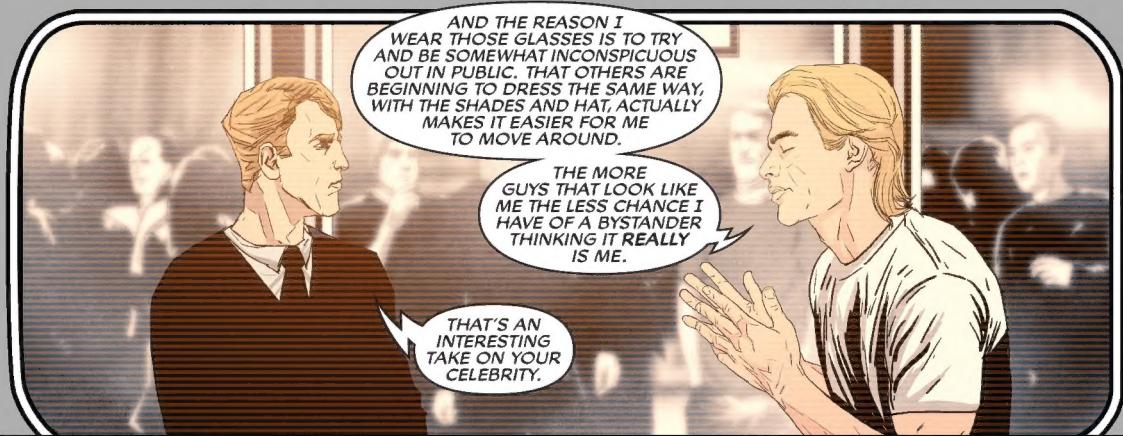
MY NAME IS FATHER HALLWELL, AND I'VE TRAVELED A LONG WAY TO DELIVER AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM MY SUPERIOR.

AND WHO MIGHT THAT BE?

AS AN ENVOY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PAPACY I COME WITH DIRECT ORDERS FROM HIS HOLINESS HIMSELF.

THE POPE? YOU WORK FOR THE ACTUAL POPE?

WOW! YOU GUYS WILL STOOP TO ANYTHING TO GET YOUR STORY... WON'T YOU?



AND THE REASON I WEAR THOSE GLASSES IS TO TRY AND BE SOMEWHAT INCONSPICUOUS OUT IN PUBLIC. THAT OTHERS ARE BEGINNING TO DRESS THE SAME WAY, WITH THE SHADES AND HAT, ACTUALLY MAKES IT EASIER FOR ME TO MOVE AROUND.

THE MORE GUYS THAT LOOK LIKE ME THE LESS CHANCE I HAVE OF A BYSTANDER THINKING IT REALLY IS ME.

THAT'S AN INTERESTING TAKE ON YOUR CELEBRITY.



NOW IF YOU DON'T MIND, I NEED TO GET BACK TO WORK.

MA'AM, I ASSURE YOU-- I'M NOT THE PAPARAZZI. I ONLY CAME TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP.



CLEARLY, THOUGH, WE-- I-- HAVE MADE A MISTAKE. AGAIN, I'M SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE. WE THOUGHT-- PERHAPS BECAUSE OF YOUR STRONG FAITH AND LOVE FOR THE LORD-- YOU COULD BE OF VALUE.



THIS ASSIGNMENT WAS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO HIS HOLINESS, BUT HE INSISTED WE ONLY GET YOUR PARTICIPATION WILLINGLY. HE DIDN'T WANT TO IMPOSE HIMSELF OTHERWISE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

WAIT...

DID THE POPE REALLY SEND YOU?

HE DID.

WHY?

BECAUSE OF YOUR CONNECTION TO MR. DOWNING.



OH!... SO THIS IS ABOUT JIM AGAIN. I SHOULD HAVE GUESSED!



NO, IT'S ABOUT THE BOTH OF YOU. AS FAR AS WE CAN TELL, MR. DOWNING HAS NOT ANNOUNCED HIS ALLEGIANCE TO ANY DENOMINATION. AS ONE OF GOD'S FINEST, WE HAD HOPED YOU MIGHT HELP US ARRANGE A MEETING BY GETTING MR. DOWNING AND YOURSELF TO THE VATICAN.

YOU WANT ME TO GO TO THE VATICAN?!

AS INVITED GUESTS-- AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU, OF COURSE.



AND MORE RECENTLY, YOU ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF YOUR NEW FOUNDATION. TELL US MORE ABOUT THAT.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH WITH IT?

TO HELP OTHERS WHO ARE IN NEED OF HOPE. ESPECIALLY WHEN MODERN MEDICINE HAS FAILED THEM.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE EVER HAD ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY GET HORRIBLY SICK...?

BUT IF ONE OF YOUR KIDS HAD A BRAIN TUMOR AND THE DOCTORS SAID IT WAS INOPERABLE. WOULD YOU SIT IDLY BY WAITING FOR YOUR TEN YEAR OLD TO DIE--OR WOULD YOU DO SOMETHING!-- ANYTHING!-- IF GIVEN THE CHANCE?



THE AUTOPSY GUYS STILL HAVEN'T CONFIRMED THE BLOOD SAMPLE FROM THE VICTIMS, BUT... HELLO...? ARE YOU LISTENING?

NOT REALLY. I WANT TO LISTEN TO THE REST OF THIS INTERVIEW.

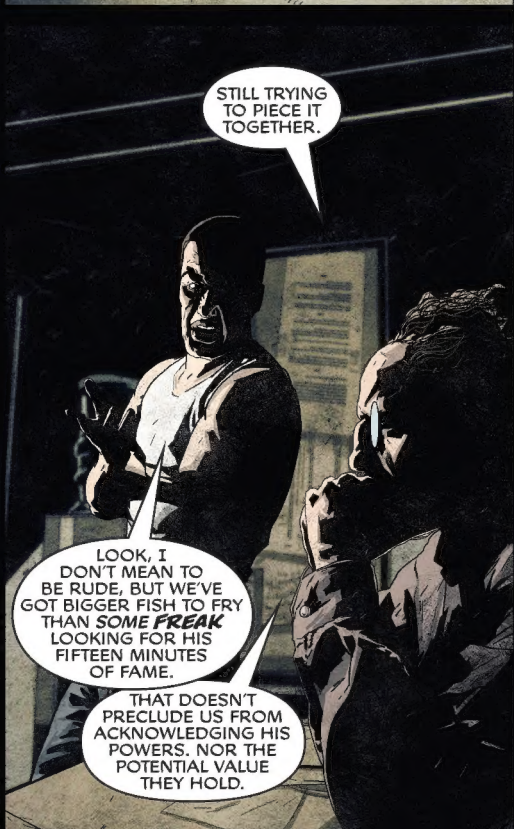
WHY THE SUDDEN INTEREST? ESPECIALLY WHEN WORK'S PILING UP FROM YOUR OTHER CASES?



BECAUSE HE'S A PART OF THIS.



HOW?



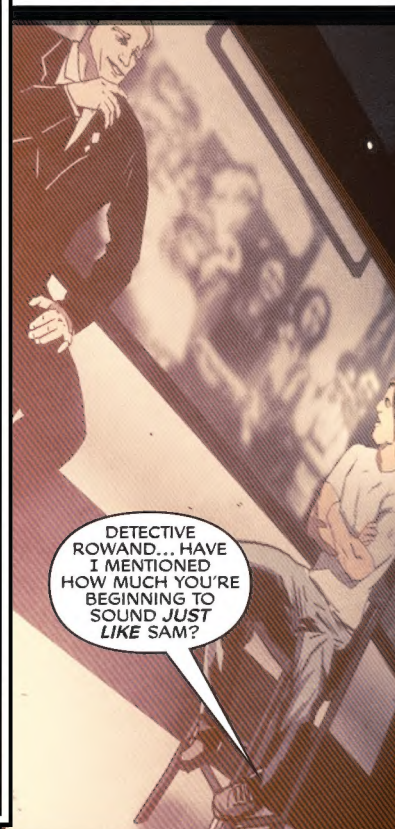
STILL TRYING TO PIECE IT TOGETHER.

LOOK, I DON'T MEAN TO BE RUDE, BUT WE'VE GOT BIGGER FISH TO FRY THAN **SOME FREAK** LOOKING FOR HIS FIFTEEN MINUTES OF FAME.

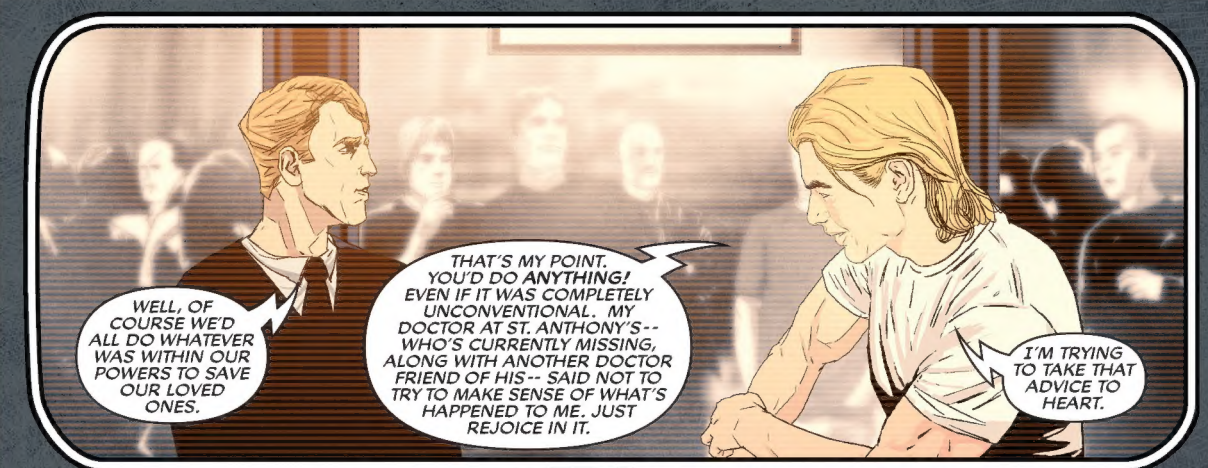
THAT DOESN'T PRECLUDE US FROM ACKNOWLEDGING HIS POWERS. NOR THE POTENTIAL VALUE THEY HOLD.



HAVE YOU SLIPPED A GEAR? WHAT THE HELL HAS HE GOT TO DO WITH ANYTHING WE NEED? AND I STILL DON'T GET HOW YOU MET HIM IN THE FIRST PLACE.



DETECTIVE ROWAND... HAVE I MENTIONED HOW MUCH YOU'RE BEGINNING TO SOUND JUST LIKE SAM?



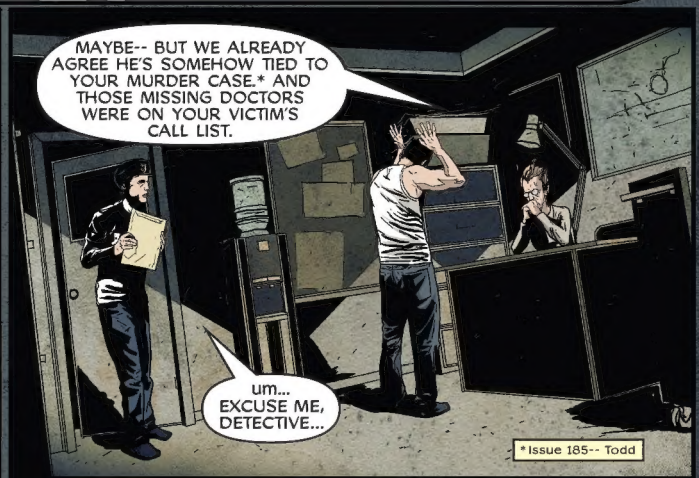
WELL, OF COURSE WE'D ALL DO WHATEVER WAS WITHIN OUR POWERS TO SAVE OUR LOVED ONES.

THAT'S MY POINT. YOU'D DO ANYTHING! EVEN IF IT WAS COMPLETELY UNCONVENTIONAL. MY DOCTOR AT ST. ANTHONY'S-- WHO'S CURRENTLY MISSING, ALONG WITH ANOTHER DOCTOR FRIEND OF HIS-- SAID NOT TO TRY TO MAKE SENSE OF WHAT'S HAPPENED TO ME. JUST REJOICE IN IT.

I'M TRYING TO TAKE THAT ADVICE TO HEART.



JESUS CHRIST! HOW'S A GODDAMN INTERVIEW HELPING OUR CASE? THINK ABOUT IT! HE'S NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING NEW ON TV.



MAYBE-- BUT WE ALREADY AGREE HE'S SOMEHOW TIED TO YOUR MURDER CASE.* AND THOSE MISSING DOCTORS WERE ON YOUR VICTIM'S CALL LIST.

um... EXCUSE ME, DETECTIVE...

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YOUR REPORT FROM THE PRINTS LAB JUST ARRIVED. THEY SAID TO GET IT TO YOU IMMEDIATELY BECAUSE THEY FOUND SOME ANOMALIES WITH YOUR "FAITH HEALER."

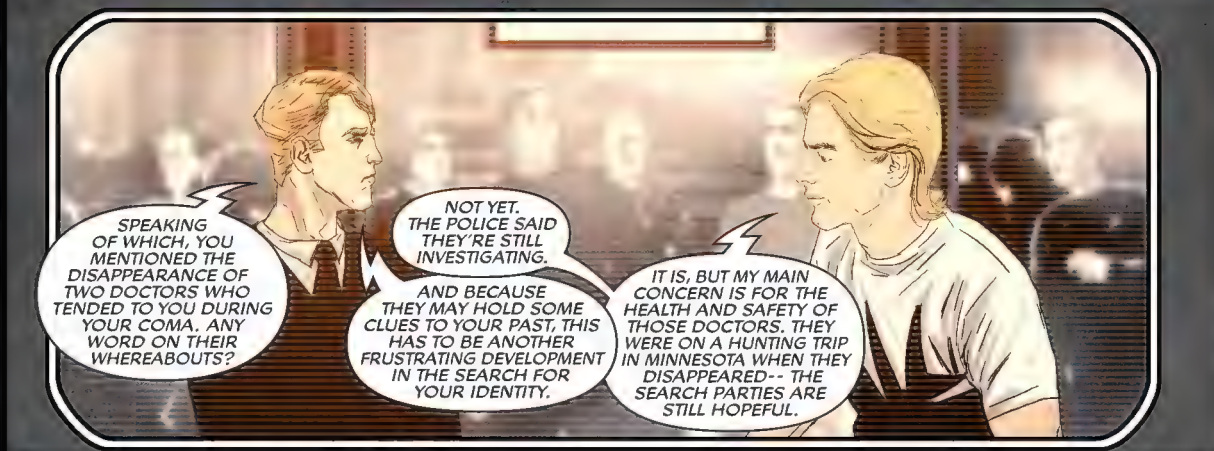
BY THE WAY, HOW'S DETECTIVE BURKE DOING?



THE SAME. THANKS FOR ASKING.



WHAT'S THE LAB TALKING ABOUT... ANOMALIES?

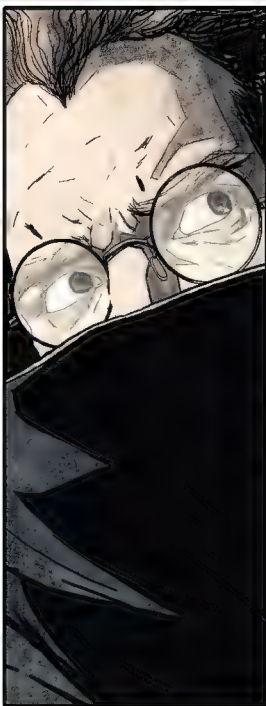
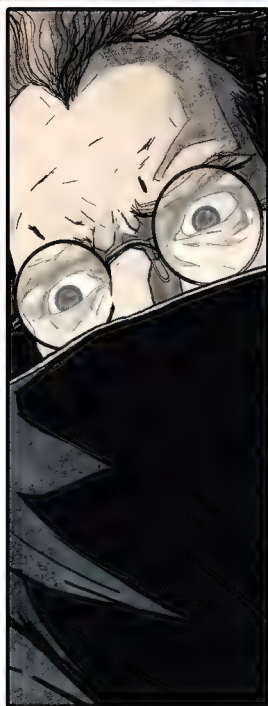


SPEAKING OF WHICH, YOU MENTIONED THE DISAPPEARANCE OF TWO DOCTORS WHO TENDED TO YOU DURING YOUR COMA. ANY WORD ON THEIR WHEREABOUTS?

NOT YET. THE POLICE SAID THEY'RE STILL INVESTIGATING.

AND BECAUSE THEY MAY HOLD SOME CLUES TO YOUR PAST, THIS HAS TO BE ANOTHER FRUSTRATING DEVELOPMENT IN THE SEARCH FOR YOUR IDENTITY.

IT IS, BUT MY MAIN CONCERN IS FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THOSE DOCTORS. THEY WERE ON A HUNTING TRIP IN MINNESOTA WHEN THEY DISAPPEARED-- THE SEARCH PARTIES ARE STILL HOPEFUL.



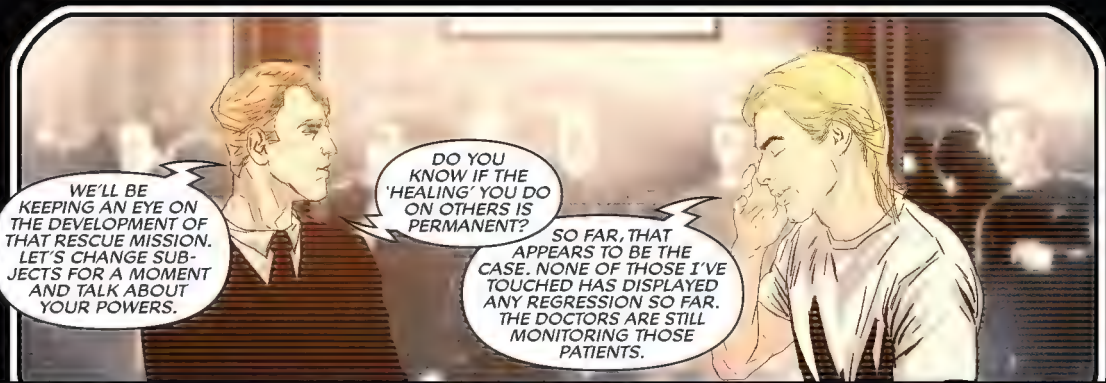
SPIT IT OUT! WHAT'S IT SAY?



HERE. READ IT YOURSELF.



NO WAY.



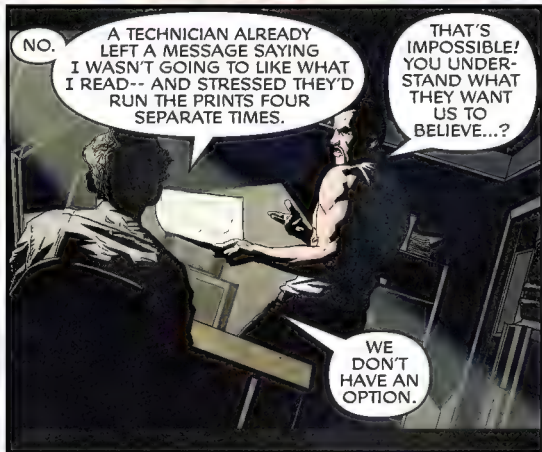
WE'LL BE KEEPING AN EYE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THAT RESCUE MISSION. LET'S CHANGE SUBJECTS FOR A MOMENT AND TALK ABOUT YOUR POWERS.

DO YOU KNOW IF THE 'HEALING' YOU DO ON OTHERS IS PERMANENT?

SO FAR, THAT APPEARS TO BE THE CASE. NONE OF THOSE I'VE TOUCHED HAS DISPLAYED ANY REGRESSION SO FAR. THE DOCTORS ARE STILL MONITORING THOSE PATIENTS.



IS THIS SOME KIND OF JOKE?!



NO.

A TECHNICIAN ALREADY LEFT A MESSAGE SAYING I WASN'T GOING TO LIKE WHAT I READ-- AND STRESSED THEY'D RUN THE PRINTS FOUR SEPARATE TIMES.

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY WANT US TO BELIEVE...?

WE DON'T HAVE AN OPTION.



Johnny, Saul P.
DOB: 3/17/1974

Poon, Jim L.
DOB: 10/1/1981

Bennett, Timothy M.
DOB: 6/28/1974

Moss, Andrew
DOB: 2/17/1977

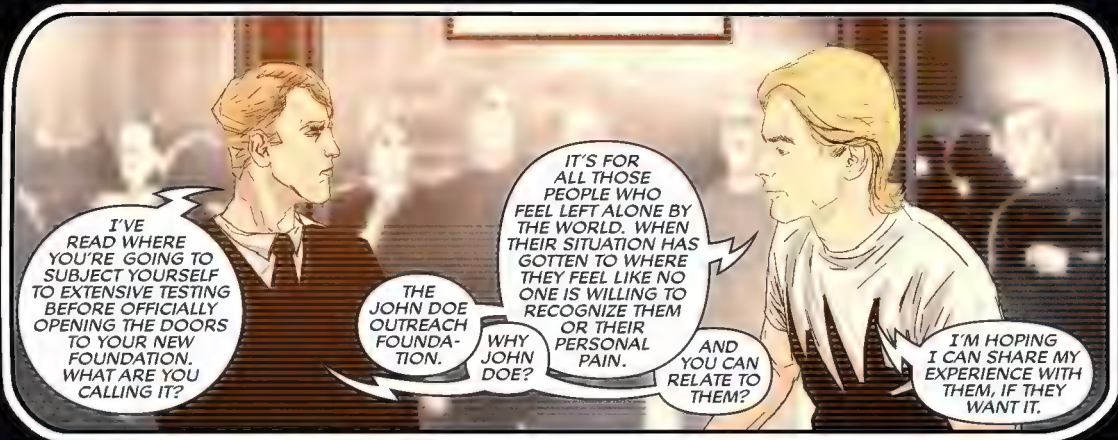
SO THIS IS OKAY WITH YOU?...

...THAT DOWNING HAS TEN DIFFERENT PRINTS, MATCHING TEN DIFFERENT CRIMINALS.



NOT CRIMINALS. MURDERERS.

AND EACH ONE DIED WHILE IMPRISONED... AT TEN DIFFERENT PENITENTIARIES.



I'VE READ WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO SUBJECT YOURSELF TO EXTENSIVE TESTING BEFORE OFFICIALLY OPENING THE DOORS TO YOUR NEW FOUNDATION. WHAT ARE YOU CALLING IT?

THE JOHN DOE OUTREACH FOUNDATION.

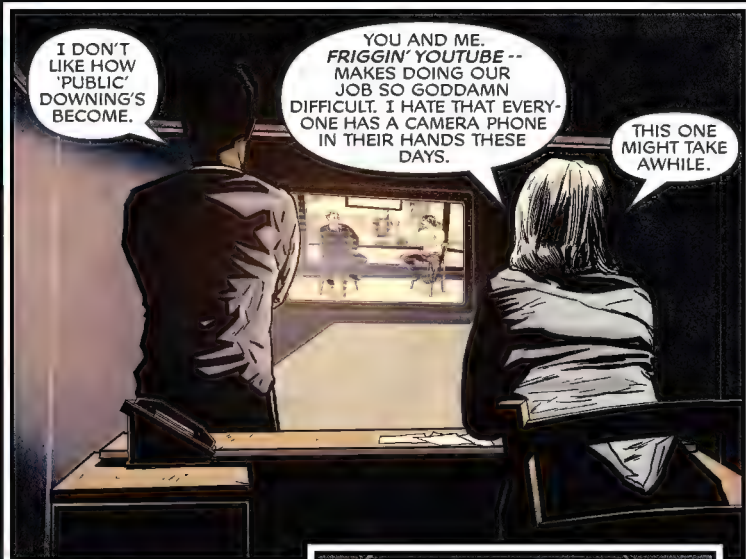
WHY JOHN DOE?

IT'S FOR ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO FEEL LEFT ALONE BY THE WORLD. WHEN THEIR SITUATION HAS GOTTEN TO WHERE THEY FEEL LIKE NO ONE IS WILLING TO RECOGNIZE THEM OR THEIR PERSONAL PAIN.

AND YOU CAN RELATE TO THEM?

I'M HOPING I CAN SHARE MY EXPERIENCE WITH THEM, IF THEY WANT IT.

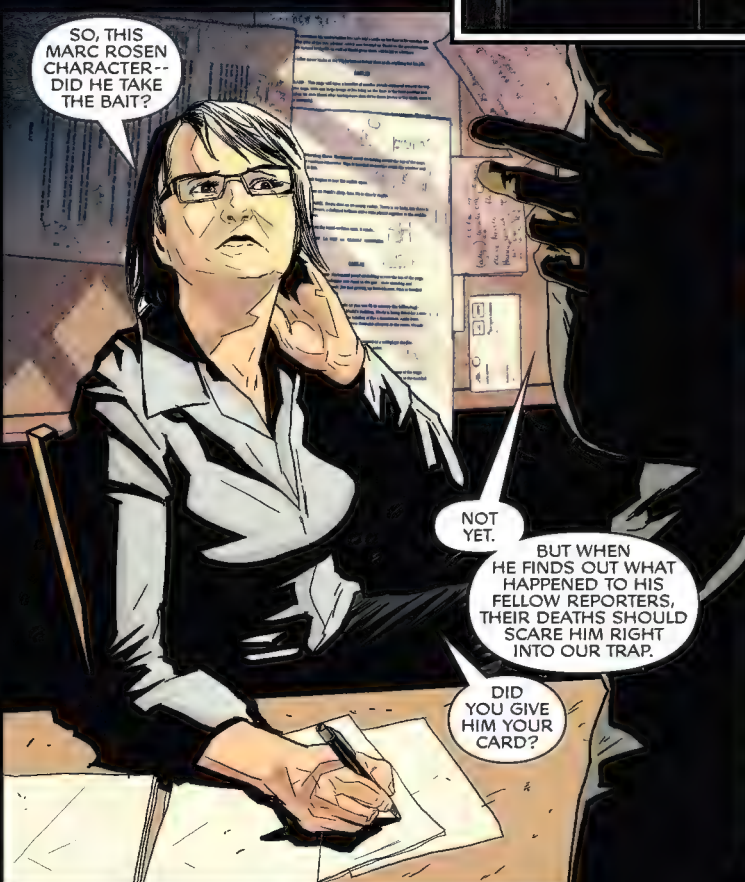
C.I.A. SUBSTATION, NEW YORK CITY



I DON'T LIKE HOW 'PUBLIC' DOWNING'S BECOME.

YOU AND ME. FRIGGIN' YOUTUBE -- MAKES DOING OUR JOB SO GODDAMN DIFFICULT. I HATE THAT EVERYONE HAS A CAMERA PHONE IN THEIR HANDS THESE DAYS.

THIS ONE MIGHT TAKE AWHILE.



SO, THIS MARC ROSEN CHARACTER-- DID HE TAKE THE BAIT?

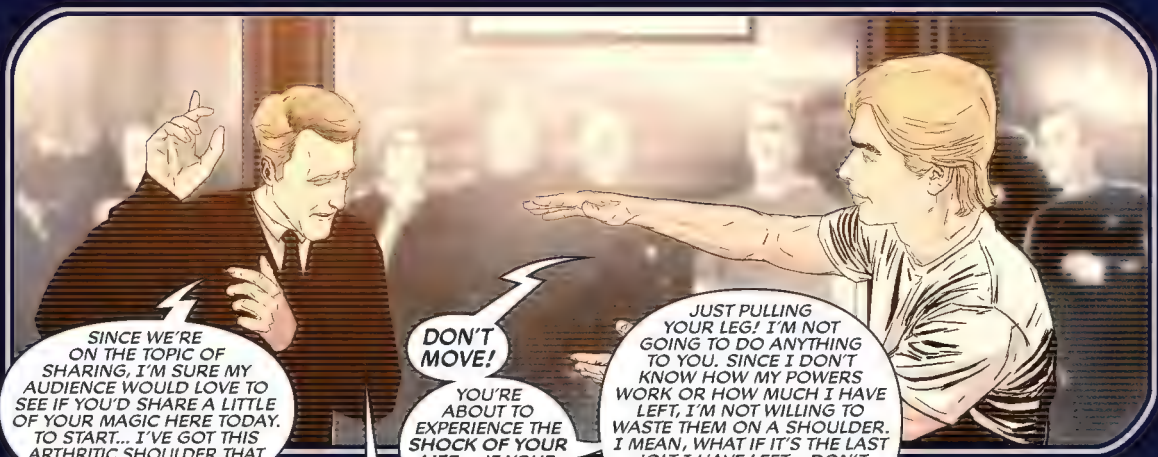
NOT YET.

BUT WHEN HE FINDS OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO HIS FELLOW REPORTERS, THEIR DEATHS SHOULD SCARE HIM RIGHT INTO OUR TRAP.

DID YOU GIVE HIM YOUR CARD?



YES. I'M TRYING TO KEEP THIS SIMPLE. HE'LL COME AROUND SOON ENOUGH.



SINCE WE'RE ON THE TOPIC OF SHARING, I'M SURE MY AUDIENCE WOULD LOVE TO SEE IF YOU'D SHARE A LITTLE OF YOUR MAGIC HERE TODAY. TO START... I'VE GOT THIS ARTHRITIC SHOULDER THAT BUGS ME EVERY...

DON'T MOVE!

YOU'RE ABOUT TO EXPERIENCE THE SHOCK OF YOUR LIFE... IF YOUR HEART CAN TAKE IT!

IT HURTS THAT BAD?

JUST PULLING YOUR LEG! I'M NOT GOING TO DO ANYTHING TO YOU. SINCE I DON'T KNOW HOW MY POWERS WORK OR HOW MUCH I HAVE LEFT, I'M NOT WILLING TO WASTE THEM ON A SHOULDER. I MEAN, WHAT IF IT'S THE LAST JOLT I HAVE LEFT-- DON'T YOU THINK I SHOULD SAVE IT FOR SOMEONE IN MUCH MORE NEED THAN YOU?

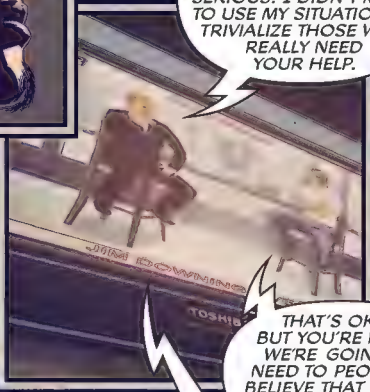
CAN'T ARGUE THERE.

PLUS MY MANAGER-- WHO YOU MET BACK-STAGE-- HE'D GIVE ME HECK FOR NOT TAKING ALL OF THIS SERIOUSLY.

GREEN ROOM, MORNING SHOW, NEW YORK CITY



WELL, I'VE READ YOUR FOUNDATION'S MISSION STATEMENT AND IT ALL SOUNDS QUITE SERIOUS. I DIDN'T MEAN TO USE MY SITUATION TO TRIVIALIZE THOSE WHO REALLY NEED YOUR HELP.



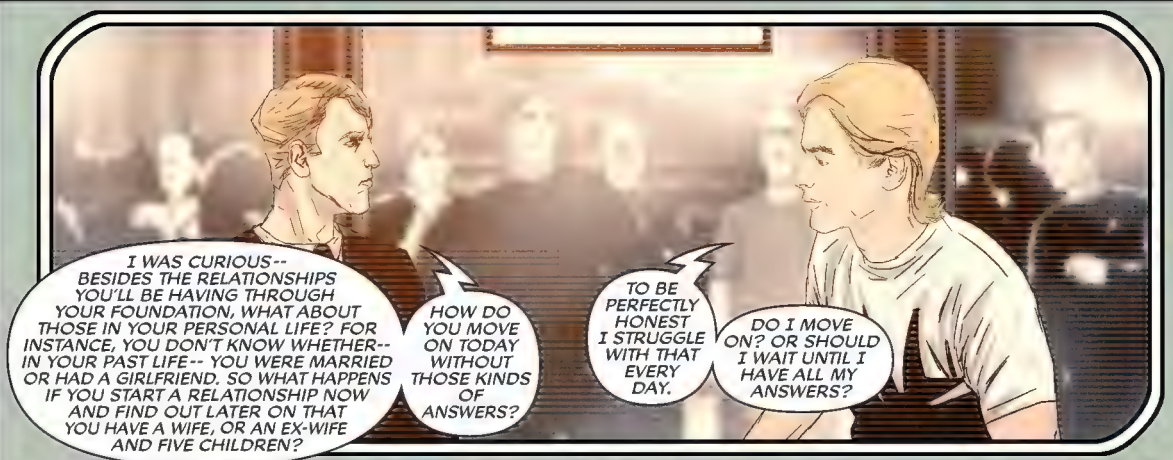
THAT'S OKAY, BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO PEOPLE TO BELIEVE THAT WE'RE TAKING THEIR ISSUES SERIOUSLY.

THAT TRUST WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT, WON'T IT?



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I WAS CURIOUS--
BESIDES THE RELATIONSHIPS
YOU'LL BE HAVING THROUGH
YOUR FOUNDATION, WHAT ABOUT
THOSE IN YOUR PERSONAL LIFE? FOR
INSTANCE, YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER--
IN YOUR PAST LIFE-- YOU WERE MARRIED
OR HAD A GIRLFRIEND. SO WHAT HAPPENS
IF YOU START A RELATIONSHIP NOW
AND FIND OUT LATER ON THAT
YOU HAVE A WIFE, OR AN EX-WIFE
AND FIVE CHILDREN?

HOW DO
YOU MOVE
ON TODAY
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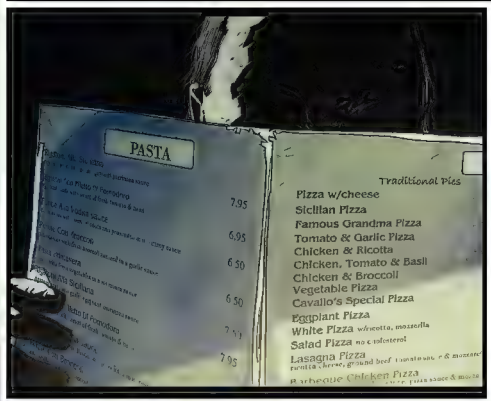
DO I MOVE
ON? OR SHOULD
I WAIT UNTIL I
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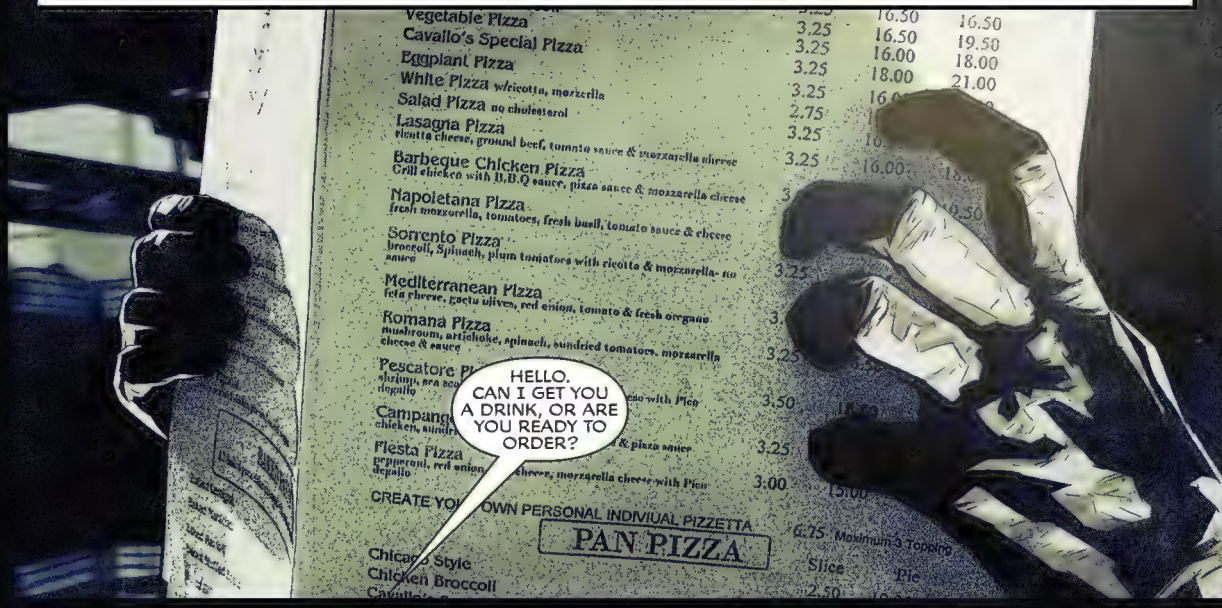
BROOKLYN.



SUSAN! FOR
THE HUNDRETH TIME!
STOP WATCHING TV AND TAKE THE
CUSTOMERS' ORDERS! THIS IS
THE LAST TIME I'M GOING
TO ASK YOU!!



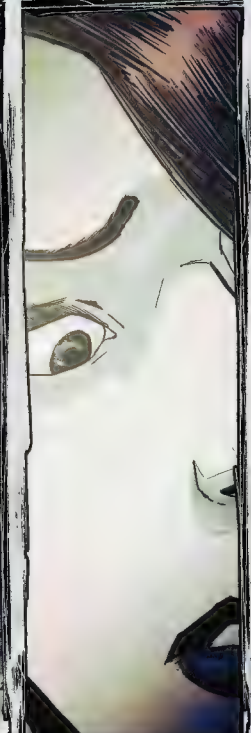
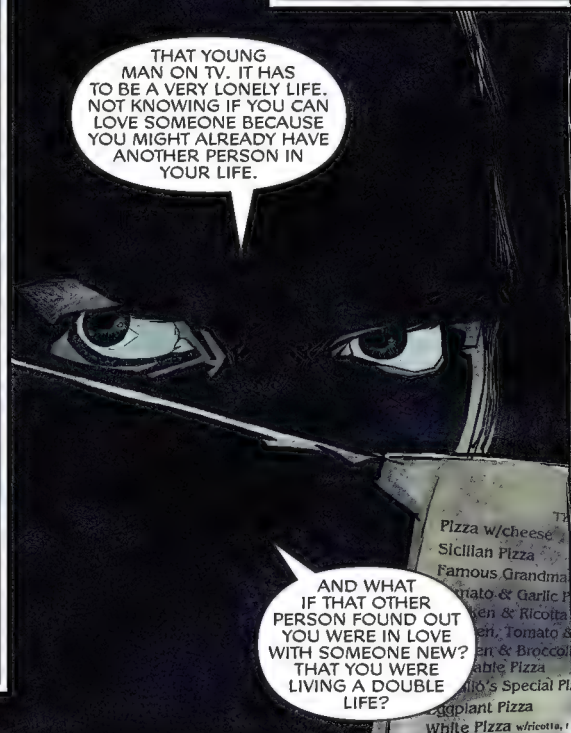
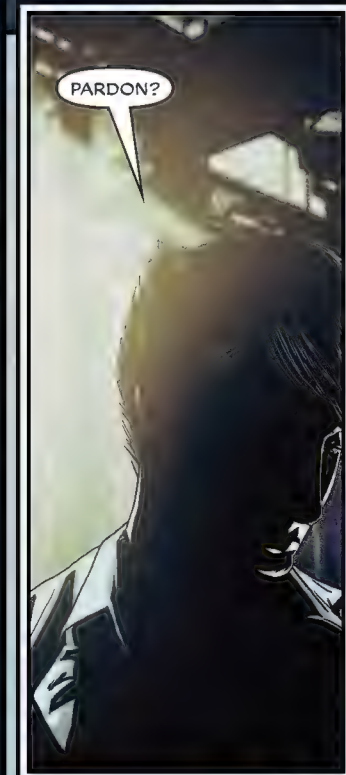
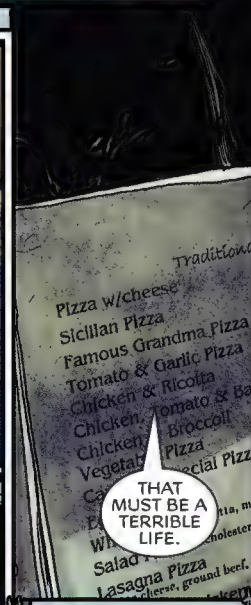
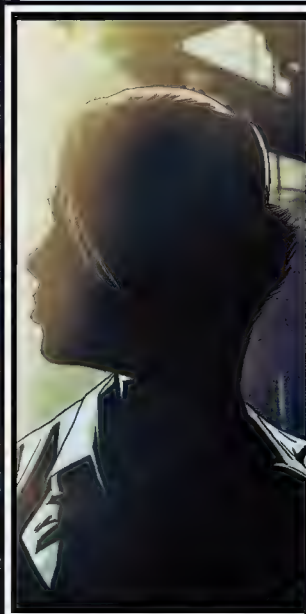
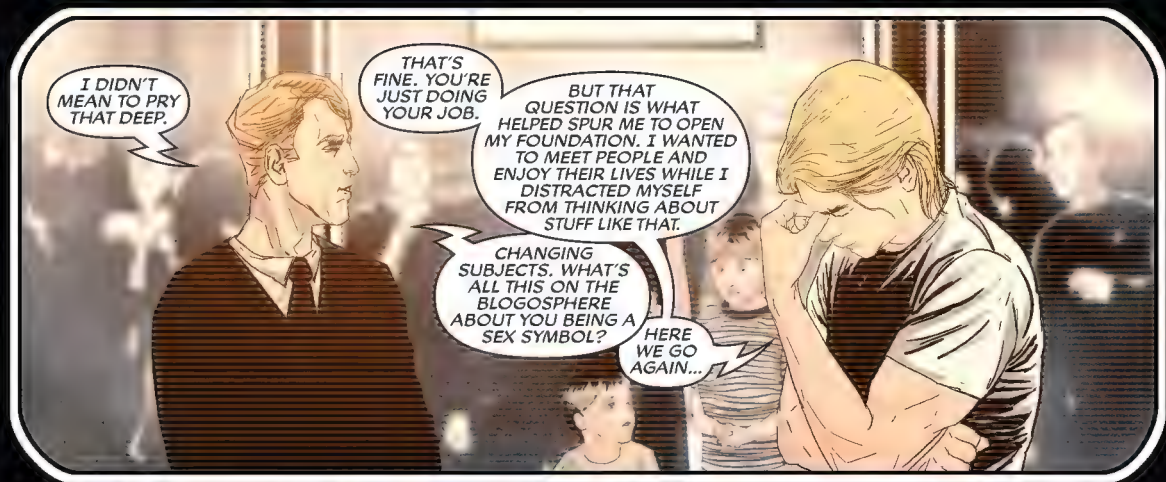
SORRY, I'M
SORRY, BEN. JUST
GOT A LITTLE
DISTRACTED.



HELLO.
CAN I GET YOU
A DRINK, OR ARE
YOU READY TO
ORDER?

- | Pizza | Price | Price | Price |
|--|-------|--------------------|-------|
| Vegetable Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | 16.50 |
| Cavallo's Special Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | 19.50 |
| Eggplant Pizza | 3.25 | 16.00 | 18.00 |
| White Pizza w/ricotta, mozzarella | 3.25 | 18.00 | 21.00 |
| Salad Pizza w/ chicken salad | 3.25 | 16.00 | |
| Lasagna Pizza | 3.25 | 16.00 | |
| Fiesta Pizza | 3.25 | 16.00 | |
| Barbecue Chicken Pizza | 3.25 | 16.00 | |
| Crill chicken with B.B.Q. sauce, pizza sauce & mozzarella cheese | 3.25 | 16.00 | |
| Napoletana Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Sorrento Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Mediterranean Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Romana Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Pescatore Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Campagna Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| Fiesta Pizza | 3.25 | 16.50 | |
| CREATE YOUR OWN PERSONAL INDIVIDUAL PIZZETTA | | | |
| Chicago Style | 6.75 | Maximum 3 Toppings | |
| Chicken Broccoli | | | |
| Cavallo's | | | |

PAN PIZZA





UMM... HOW DO I ANSWER A QUESTION LIKE THAT? WHATEVER I SAY I'M DOOMED. IF I DENY IT-- THEN I'M BEING TOO MODEST OR COY. IF I ACCEPT IT-- THEN I'M AN EGOMANIAC.

I'LL MAKE IT EASY ON YOU, JIM-- BECAUSE I DON'T THINK YOU'RE SEXY AT ALL. SO WE CAN PUT THAT TO REST FOREVER.

THANKS. APPRECIATE THAT.

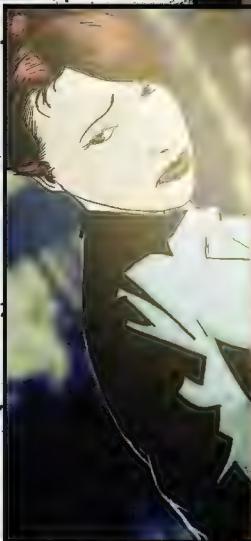


BUT THEN AGAIN, WHAT KIND OF EXISTENCE IS IT TO KNOW THAT THE PERSON YOU SO **DESPERATELY DESIRE**-- THE ONE YOU KNOW WILL MAKE EVERYTHING RIGHT IN YOUR LIFE-- IS SOMEONE YOU CAN'T HAVE...?

SOMETHING LIKE THAT CAN TORTURE YOU TO THE DEPTHS OF YOUR SOUL-- MAKE YOU WONDER WHETHER YOU'LL **EVER** FIND THAT KIND OF HAPPINESS AGAIN. AND WORSE THAN THAT-- YOU'D HAVE TO GO BACK TO YOUR OLD LOVER AND LIVE A LIE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.



I WOULDN'T WISH THAT UPON ANYONE.





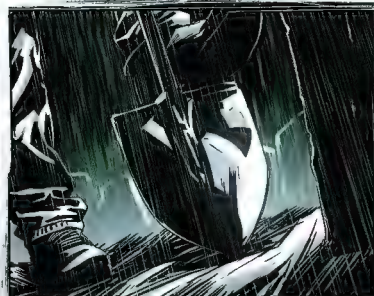
RELIGION?
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN
VERY VOCAL ON THAT
SUBJECT. IS THAT
INTENTIONAL?

TO SOME
DEGREE, I DIDN'T
THINK I SHOULD
ADVOCATE FOR ANY
SPECIFIC CHURCH
OR RELIGION UNTIL
MY PAST WAS
KNOWN.

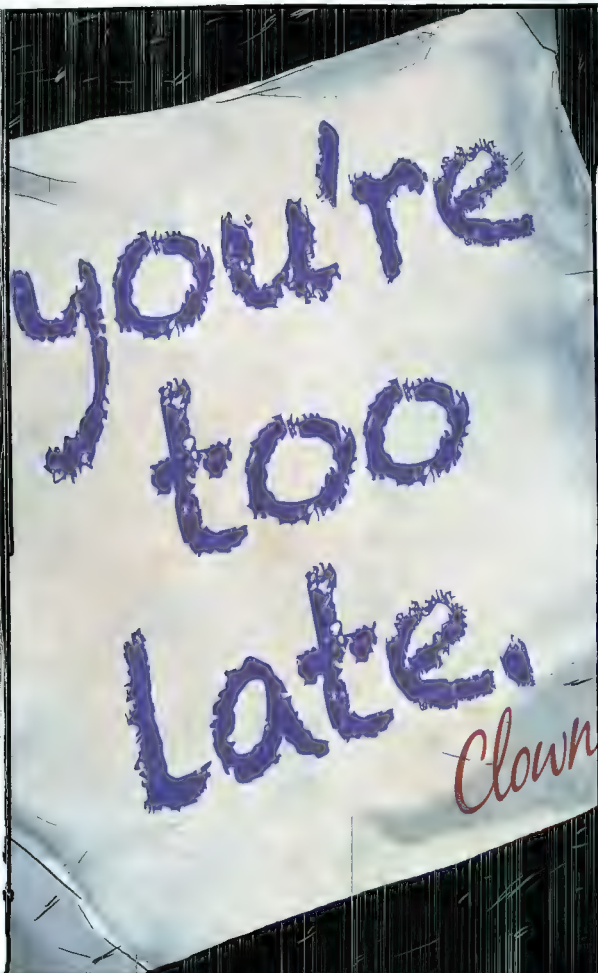
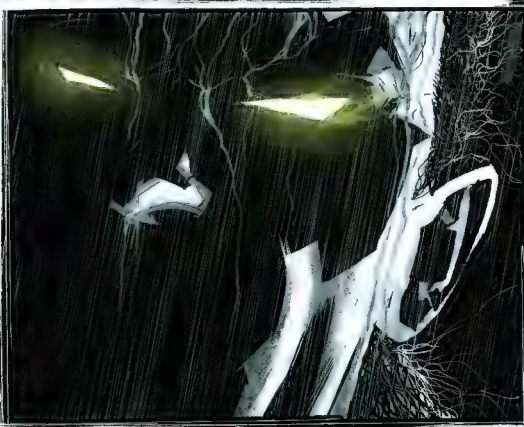
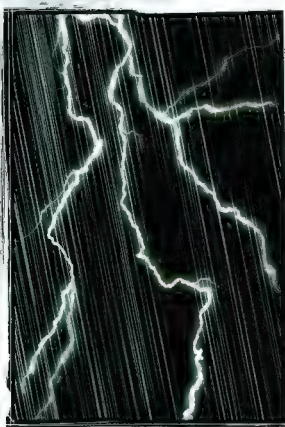
A COUPLE
OF CONSERVATIVE
GROUPS THINK I'M
DESECRATING THE TERM
'THE SECOND COMING'--
BUT THAT'S A TITLE THE
MEDIA STARTED
USING, NOT ME.



HEMPSTEAD,
ARKANSAS

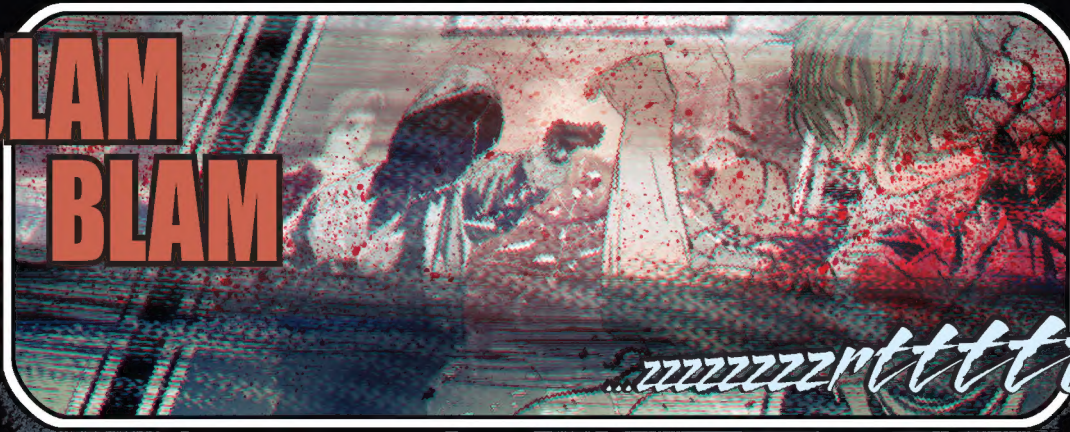


IT'S
TIME, FALLEN
SOLDIER-- TO
TAKE BACK
WHAT'S
MINE.





BLAM
BLAM



...zzzzzzzzttttt



DID YOU SEE THAT?!

SOMEONE SHOT HIM!! MR. DOWNING'S BEEN **SHOT!**



WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PICTURE?!

Oh my God!

GENTLEMEN-- PLEASE. I NEED YOU TO CALM DOWN. EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE... AND WHAT YOU JUST SAW WILL BE GREAT FOR BUSINESS.

THE FUTURE IS LOOKING BRIGHT.





next: **ORIGINAL SINS**





Tyrant
Lizard
King

EMPIRE